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SUBJECT: MEXICO ESTABLISHES RELATIONS WITH SOUTH VIETNAM

REF: MEXICO 4548

1. ON MAY 26 THE GOM, REPRESENTED BY FOREIGN SECRETARY RABASA,
AND SOUTH VIETNAM'S PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT,
REPRESENTED BY VISITING AMBASSADOR VO ANH TUAN, AGREED TO ESTABLISH
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE (PUBLISHED IN PART
IN GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED NACIONAL) NOTED THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES
WERE "CONTROLLED NACIONAL) NOTED THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES WERE
"CONVINCED THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WOULD
CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF FRIENDLY TIES
AND FRUITFUL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF
(THEIR PEOPLE) AS WELL AS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY." THE
AGREEMENT FURTHER INDICATED THAT THE TWO PARTIES WERE ANIMATED
BY THE SPIRIT OF RESPECT FOR THE FUNDAMENTAL NORMS OF INTERNATIONAL
RELATIONS AND PARTICULARLY BY THE PRINCIPLES OF RESPECT FOR
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SOVEREIGNTY, FOR NON-INTERVENTION, AND OF SELF-DETERMINATION.

2. SUBSEQUENTLY, VO ANH TUAN STATED THAT VIETNAM BEFORE 1954 WAS A UNITED COUNTRY AND HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE IS ONE PEOPLE, WITH THE SAME LANGUAGE AND CULTURE. HE ADDED: "THE PRESENT OBJECTIVE OF BOTH PARTIES, NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM, IS TO BUILD A PACIFIC, INDEPENDENT, UNIFIED, DEMOCRATIC, AND PROSPEROUS VIETNAM".

3. EARLIER (MAY 25), PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA HAD DECLARED IN PUERTO VALLARTA THAT MEXICO WOULD SUPPORT THE PRG IN ENTERING THE UN. HE SAID "THERE IS A GREAT WILLINGNESS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE UNITY OF THE PEOPLE OF THE THIRD WORLD." JOVA UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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